

**REMARKS**

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested for the following reasons:

1. Amendments to Claims

Claim 1 has been re-written to include the limitations of original claims 5 and 6.

Claims 8 and 9 have been amended to depend from claim 1 rather than claim 5, and to be consistent with the amendments to claim 1.

Claim 7 has been re-written in independent form as new claim 12 to include the limitations of claims 1 and 5, from which claim 7 originally depended.

Claims 13-19 correspond to original claims 2-4 and 8-11, but depend from new independent claim 12.

2. Rejection of Claims 1-5 and 8-11 Under 35 USC §103(a)

This rejection has been rendered moot by the inclusion, in independent claims 1 and 12, of the subject matter of original claims 6 and 7. Claims 6 and 7 were indicated as allowable in item 4 on page 4 of the Official Action.

Having thus overcome the sole rejection made in the Official Action, withdrawal of the rejection and expedited passage of the application to issue is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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